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FEPC Seeks ROTC without Credit But Refuses to Ask for Action Now

Survey Favors ROTC Change

(*See tabulation, page* 7.)

A joint survey conducted by the Student Senate ROTC committee and the Mobilization shows that 367 (71.4 percent) of the 645 students polled favor a change in the status of ROTC — either denial of credit, termination of faculty appointments, and reduction to extra-curricular rank or the complete removal of ROTC from the campus.

The 645 students who answered the survey represent 43 percent of the student body — 230 females and 415 males.

A total of 157 students (24 percent of those polled) felt that ROTC should be "allowed to maintain its current status at Middlebury." Twenty - five respondents (3.9 percent) had no opinion.

Several students wrote in additional responses to the questionnaire. Among the changes they suggested were that ROTC courses be upgraded, that the salary for advanced course ROTC men be reduced, that ROTC pay for its own facilities, and that the college assume control of ROTC courses, allowing interested students to audit them.

The Faculty Educational Policy Committee has expressed the 'belief' that academic credit and faculty status should not be granted to ROTC here, but the committee has refused to call outright for an end to credit.

Instead, the FEPC resolution, once accepted by the faculty, would ask President James I. Armstrong to negotiate with the Army for ROTC here "on a non-credit, para-curricular basis."

The faculty must vote on the FEPC resolution at its Feb. 3 meeting.

The resolution is seen as a compromise of an original proposal by Robert Pack, associate professor of English, for a SEPC resolution to the faculty recommending a denial of ROTC credit.

The compromise resolution affirms the basic position taken by Pack while postponing a decision on whether actually to deny credit.

According to FEPC Chairman John Wenders, the committee felt that the faculty was not fully aware of all the alternatives to such action or its possible consequences.

Stressing factors such as the college's existing contract with ROTC, the number of men already committed to the completion of the program, and the situation of those on ROTC scholarships, Wenders explained that the FEPC considered a slower, more informed course of action expedient.

The resolution thus reflects the hope that by proceeding cautiously the college may refuse to give ROTC credit and faculty status without inadvertantly forcing the Army to withdraw from the campus.

The **Campus** has learned that President James I. Armstrong is meeting today with a Pentagon official in Washington to discuss alternatives to the current ROTC arrangement. Armstrong will not offer a specific proposal to the official, Arthur W. Allen, Jr., Deputy Asst. Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

However their discussion will be of the nature requested by the FEPC in its recommendation to the faculty.

Before leaving for Washington Armstrong disclosed the contents of a letter he had received from Allen. The letter noted that the Army's demand for "appropriate academic credit" for ROTC allows interpretation of the word "appropriate." The Army's main concern is the size of ROTC enrollment, the letter said.

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Discussed in Senate Last Night

Sorority Bias; Trustee Control

The Student Senate yesterday considered a proposal designed to end the possibility of discrimination by race or religion in Middlebury sororities.

Suggested by junior Karla Baehr, the resolution's guidelines for sororities include:

—a voluntary recommendation system.

—no prayers or rituals offensive to a religious minority.

—a maximum voting requirement of 7-8 for election of new members, replacing any method by which a single person could determine the election.

After a two year period, any sorority which has not submitted the required statement affirming their chapter's compliance with the Senate's resolution will not be permitted to operate at Middlebury. However, a sorority may appeal for an extension of the period.

The Student Constitution grants the Senate power to "determine the status of all student organizations" connected in any way with the college, to inquire into the affairs of these organizations, and to take "such action as it deems necessary and appropriate. . ."

In an interview with the **Campus**, Miss Baehr stated that she felt most sorority women hoped to revise national chapter rules which may be discriminatory, and that the Senate's resolution may aid sororities by providing impetus from the whole campus for reform.

She concluded, "The proposal demands no more of sororities than sororities should demand of themselves.

No Trustee Control

In other action last night, the Senate heard a resolution which aims to deny the Trustees control of parietal hours, curfew regulations and other social matters. Bret Marcus and Erhard Mahnke drafted the resolution.

The full text reads:

"Whereas the Trustees are rarely on campus and therefore out of touch with the basic realities of student life; and

'Whereas they do not provide financial support for social matters:

"Be it therefore resolved that the Trustees no longer exercise

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LATE BULLETIN

Senate OK's Curfew Change, 24-hour Parietals for Dorms

The Student Senate last night voted unanimously to abolish curfews for sophomore and second-semester freshmen women. Immediately thereafter, the Senate voted to allow dormitories to have 24-hour parietals. The vote was 33 to 2 with 4 abstentions. The College Council will review the two motions tomorrow.

The parietal vote was the first Senate action specifically to call for 24-hours parietals, although the Senate this Fall passed the Gifford constitution which would have allowed for 24-hour visiting hours. The Gifford proposal was rejected in the College Council.

New Co-educational Dormitory Complex To Relieve Overcrowding; Opens Feb. 1

By CHRIS IRION

A new dormitory complex will open Feb. 1 for 260 students, leaving empty the Homestead and Hillcrest, Porter Field, Henckles, Burrage and Weybridge Houses.

Students now in overcrowded facilities such as Gifford, Painter and Starr Halls will have the choice of remaining in their current rooms or moving to the new dormitories, just west of Pearsons Hall.

The government loan of $1,825,000 for the dormitories is "self-amortizing;" that is, the income from the housing fees must pay the cost of the building. According to President James I. Armstrong, one of the stipulations of the government loan is that the building must operate at full capacity upon completion. When asked whether smaller dorms like Painter might become only partially filled in order to supply people for the new dorms, he said it would "if it came to that."

The men's dormitory is to be the building with its long axis running north-south, or parallel to Pearsons Hall. The Women's dorm will run at right angles to the men's dormitory, meeting at a common lounge.

New Features

Harvey Drinkwine, superintendent in charge of new construction, listed the following features not included in current housing facilities:

—co-ed lounge where the two buildings join together

—individual game rooms in each basement

—enlarged laundry rooms

—typing rooms in basement.

The new dormitories have been designed so that there are two clusters of rooms on each floor. Bathrooms are located in the central section of each floor and act as a divider for the two living units. Each unit consists of seven single rooms and three doubles. At each end of the floor is a study lounge located at half levels between floors to minimize noise.

The walls between the rooms and the corridor are constructed of cinderblock. The walls between rooms are constructed with four half inch thicknesses of sheet rock (a type of ready-made plaster and fiberboard sheeting). According to Drinkwine there are two layers of fiberboard on each side of a metal stud. The air space in between is filled with fiberglass insulation to minimize the noise, level between rooms.

There are no closets per se but in each room there is a built in unit which serves as bureau, closet and shelf space. The beds in each room are of the type that can either be used singly or stacked in bunkbed fashion.

Small Size

Both Drinkwine and Dean of the College Dennis O'Brien conceded that the floor space of the rooms was on the "small side."

O'Brien said that when the building was in the planning stages it was felt to be more important to sacrifice the space to incorporate more single room units.

He also said that it was more important to use the floor

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NEW DORMITORIES ready to receive their first residents Feb. 1. The women's wing is in the foreground with a spacious common lounge linking it to the men's building. Each living unit will house thirteen students in seven single rooms and three doubles. Room size in the new dorms was largely sacrificed so as to include more single room units, and expand the floor and central lounges. According to the stipulations of the government loan, the dormitories must be operated at full capacity immediately upon completion. This may necessitate operating smaller dormitories, like Painter, at something less than capacity. However, the college can look forward to more crowding as the college moves towards its enrollment goal of 1,800 students by 1972. (Photo by Irion)

The Kyriakos P. Tsolainos Memorial Scholarships will be available to any qualified major in history or economics, according to President James I. Armstrong, with preference for students of Greek descent. The endowment is $75,000, Armstrong reported.

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any control whatsoever ovr studnt social life (parietals, curfew, etc.).

"(Implicit in this resolution is the realization that the Trustees should exercise control only in financial concerns of the College.)"

The resolution focuses on the Trustees rather than on the College Council, Mahnke explained, because he felt that the Council is under pressure from the Trustees. If the resolution is passed by the Council, he said, the Council would treat social legislation from the Senate more liberally.

Opinion of PMS

Lt. Col. James C. Hefti, professor of Military Science and head of the ROTC training program at Middlebury stated emphatically in a **Campus** interview that the issue of ROTC credit is "strictly between Middlebury and the Army."

He maintained that ROTC's voluntary nature and the fact that a college graduate can be better utilized as an officer than a private, are valuable reasons to keep ROTC courses at Middlebury. "The college needs it," he said, because it "provides the individual with leadership training and trains him to accept responsibility."

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Resolution Of FEPC

The following is the complete resolution adopted by the FEPC on ROTC:

Whereas the Faculty of Middlebury College believes (1) that academic credit should not be granted to Military Science courses and (2) that voting faculty status should not be granted to members of the Military Science Department, the faculty therefore requests the President of the College to enter into negotiations with the Secretary of the Army with a view to the implementation of the ROTC program at Middlebury on a non - credit, para - curricular basis.

Dorms . . .

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space for the lounges at the end of the buildings and for the large coed lounge.

The new dormitories were built to accommodate an increased enrollment of 1,800 by 1972. The increase, which has resulted in a large over-acceptance of students in the current freshman class, is a stipulation of a Ford Foundation grant five years ago.

Future Plans

Even with the new residences, however, the College will not be able to house 1,800 students unless more housing units are built. Dean O'Brien said there are no plans as yet for the additional facilities.

He commented that the College would see how students received the new dormitories befor planning others. As a result, an additional over-acceptance of freshmen is not planned for next September.

The architects for the building were Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson and Abbot of Boston who were also responsible for the design of the new Johnson Fine Arts building. The associate architects were Freeman, French, and Freeman who designed Proctor Hall and Stewart Hall.

Inside Story . . .

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ly by all of the men presently in Middlebury's athletic department is an indication of the dynamism he will bring to Middlebury.

Colman a racist? Certainly not. And while it is unfortunate that his record has been blemished by that charge it is to his credit that the charge is unfounded. And it is to Middlebury's credit that they have hired a man of Colman's stature.

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SDS Turkey Trot

Lexington, Ky. (CPS) — Although they're trying to rationalize it by saying they're "keeping fit for the revolution," the members of the University of Kentucky's SDS Chapter are in line for the dubious distinction of being the only SDSer's in the country to overemphasize athletics.

In the annual UK Turkey Run — a mile-and-a-half cross-country jog usually dominated and trained extensively for by the Greek organizations — SDS carried off all the honors, winning two turkeys in the process.

One SDS member, a former high school track star, finished far ahead of the field over 100 entrants winning one bird, while other SDSer's (including one who tied for second) finished well to give SDS the team trophy and another turkey.

They later shared the turkeys at a large feast.

Asked about the demise of the Greeks in this year's race, one SDS member said, "It just goes to show that beer is bad for you."

LECTURES

Abortion and Contraception

"Abortion, Contraception, and Pollution" were the topics of the third lecture of the Winter Term series, a discussion of natural resources and population by David Van Vleck of the Biology department.

From an exposition of man's abuse of his lakes and land, Van Vleck moved to the increased need for such resources by an ever-growing population.

Using somewhat sensational statistics, he expressed doubt that man could or would, within the near future, be able to control pollution, his alternative being population control.

Van Vleck submitted that modern methods of birth control now in existence are insufficient to stabilize the population soon enough to avoid mass starvation.

He concluded that the only answer at this stage, assuming that better methods of birth control are not found immediately, is abortion. Abortion, he contended is ultimately more humane than mass starvation.

The Urban Good Life

Urban planners seeking the "good life" for ghetto dwellers still need a set of standards to indicate just what the good life is, said Eugene Dial, a professor of urban studies at MIT.

He spoke here Friday, sponsored by the political science department.

Dial this summer attempted to define statistical indicators to serve as a social equivalent of the economists' balance sheet and noted two main problems in the process:

— There is a myriad of possible standards; and

— Meeting those standards may cause what he called a "second wave" effect of unexpected impacts on the society.

In Detroit, for example, opening jobs for hard-core unemployed unexpectedly increased migration to the city. On the whole, the situation worsened.

Dial said that future research is needed to find standards to make possible active work on improving urban life.

Population Control

The economic and geopolitical aspects of overpopulation will be discussed tonight by professors Klaus Wolff and Vincent Malmstrom. The discussion will be the second in the Population Forum series. The series began last Thursday with lectures by professors Howard Woodin and David Andrews on the Ecological and Socio-cultural patterns of the population problem.

Woodin demonstrated, last week that as man's numbers increase so he must drop from the level of meat and plant-eater to the next level of the pyramid — plant-eater. He noted that, by our present standards, the prospect of eating algae does not seem desirable.

Although we have or presently will have all the technical means for complete birth control, people will not use them, Andrews said. He maintained that the social and economic pressures for large families prevent the stabilization of population.

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Editorials

Social Control

The frustration of impotence in the student senate's passing social legislation, only to have the College Council return it, has led finally to a specific proposal last night in the Senate. It would deny to the Trustees of the College, as if it could, the power to make decisions on social life of students. The motion is flawed in certain aspects, but we have no doubt that the College Council or other legal eagles will pinpoint its deficiencies. In the meantime, we offer a few observations on social control.

Every major social policy has been a recommendation of President Armstrong to the Trustees — a recommendation based on moderated student opinion or on the findings of a hand-picked committee. Both the President and the brain children of social policy anticipate the Trustee's reaction. Social proposals get modified, tempered and compromised in the lower levels of the administration, if not in student circles.

The irony is that apparently the Trustees have no real interest in social matters.

Even so, the 20 men and women of the Board of Trustees must make a final judgment on our social rules. It is true that most Trustees do not live in Middlebury. In fact, half of their meetings are not held at the College. Yet there is a more important question: Are they competent to make judgment on social matters?

Except perhaps for a study counselor at Vassar (why not Princeton?), a former biology professor and a high school teacher whose term as Trustee expires this year — the Trustees have shown their particular competence to be in business matters. Certainly bankers, attorneys, the financial needs of the College. But it is unfortunate if not obscene that the Trustees — who should presume no more competence in judging social rules for 1,400 men and women than any other group of parents — are given either a task they do not want or a privilege they do not merit to exercise their own moral purpose because of their wealth or financial expertise.

The College Council is perhaps another matter. Students, faculty members and administrator compose the Council — and all of them live here and have a deep concern for the College. Although they neither should presume to limit students' private and personal affairs, their rationale is that 'social rules' really affect areas of the college larger than the student body or than a particular dormitory. Accordingly, a working premise of the College Council is that if the College does not enforce society's norms, the local police will.

Question: How many people downtown know what the parietal hours are here? How many care? How many even have ever heard the catch-word "parietals"? The College, with good intention and good reason, would prefer to keep an over-zealous state's attorney off campus and leave the work to our own security officers (who, by the way, are regular law enforcement officials too.)

We follow the College's incliniation on this point, but if anything, it seems to be an argument against anarchy rather than against dorm autonomy or Senate control of student affairs. Even now, dormitory members are given the opportunity and responsibility of policing the dorm's social functions. There is quite rightly no fear that the local police will question a dorm member's proficiency as a 'dorm policeman' and offer unrequested assistance. Put differently, it is clear that a well-established body must take responsibility for social behavior; we see no moral or legal compulsion to place that responsibility in any but student hands.

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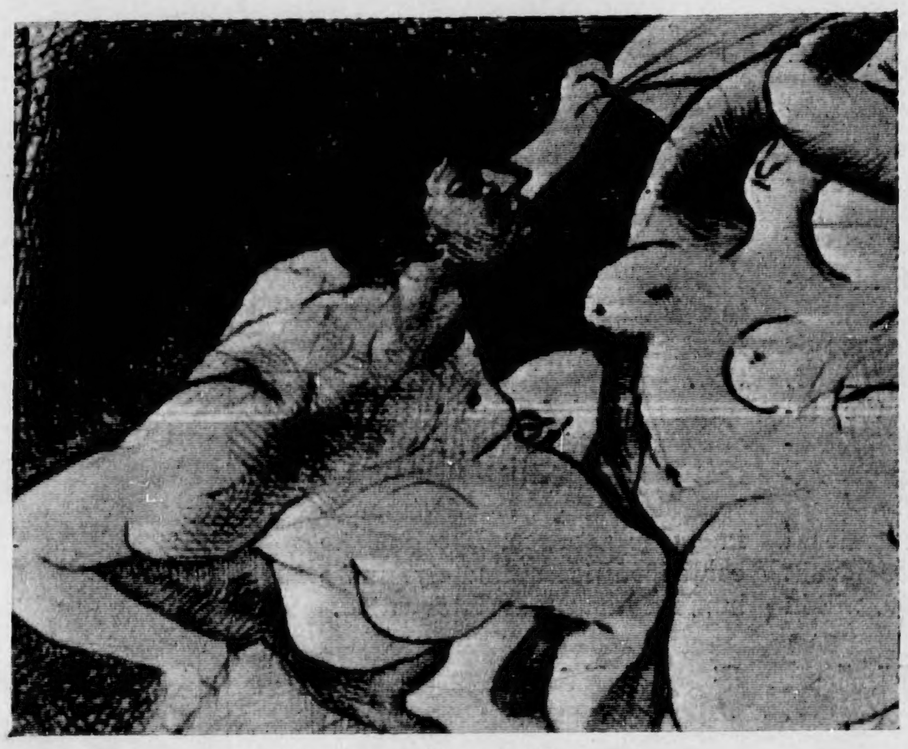
Picasso

By PETER DELMAN

"A painter paints to unload himself of feeling and vision," Picasso once said. This unburdening process has left its exciting marks in the forty major graphic works currently on display in the Johnson Gallery.

The show is representative of the many phases in Picasso's art. Picasso preferred not to think of the development of his art as an evolution but rather as a consistent alternation between his "several manners." "Whenever I had something to say I have said it in the manner in which I have felt it right to be said," is his explanation of the striking changes in his art.

Picasso's superb draftsmanship is most clearly evidenced in two portraits, "Tete de Femme de Profil," and "Visage." It was Picasso, along with Braque, who initiated the Cubist movement, and "Mademoise Leone," done in 1911 in one of the first experimental excursions into cubism. "L'Homme au Chapeau," a richer cubist work represents a period during which Picasso was branching out into new mediums other than oil-paints.



"Man Unveiling A Woman"

Many of the works were done during the early thirties when Picasso was painting and sculpting figures in monumental proportions. The interest in massive human forms is best illustrated by the dry point drawing "Man Unveiling A Woman." Cubist fragmentation of surface is curiously fused with full, powerful forms.

"Sueno Y Mentire de Franco" done in 1937 represents the same outpouring of outrage and passion experienced in "Guernica." The twisted, contorted forms and savage lines radiate an energy and intensity rare even for the eternally ebullient Picasso. The archetypal symbols of the bull and the horse are used along with a grotesque, tentacled polyp-like creature representing th despicabl Franco.

The high point of the exhibition are the three large color graphics. The "Buste de Femme d'Apres Cranach le Jeune" represents the finest of a series of linoleum cuts. The flamboyant six color print nicely brings together control and exuberance, the two major features of the show.

Millions Of Red Hearts Excitedly Beating On Peking's Golden Hill

By GRAHAME SHRUBSOLE

All our literature and art are for the masses of the people, and in the first place for the workers, peasants and soldiers: they are created for the workers, peasants and soldiers and are for their use.

— Mao Tse-Tung, 1942

This, however, is no excuse for the songs thus prefaced — Revolutionary Songs of China, a collection of exhortations and panegyrics either by or for Chairman Mao. We are by now used to the prose style peculiar to Chinese publications; in these songs the style of the language is matched by the music.

Solidly constructed of the most sturdy harmonic elements, unrelentingly marching forward, chords in root position; four, five, seven voices interchanging freely. . .

Moderato Maestoso, Temp di Marcia. . .

Strains of the Tsarist Anthem, **We Shall Overcome, Exodus**, the music for the people **Our songs ring far and wide. .. Millions of red hearts excitedly beating. . .**

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The cult of Mao is carried forward:

Chairman Mao loves the people.
Beloved chairman Mao — the red sun shining in our hearts.

The songs conceive of the people as being liberated, being loved, being lead forward; but nowhere are they conceived of as liberating, loving or leading. The Sun is the active principle. The Sun is Chairman Mao. The Sun is the Chinese Communist Party. Chairman Mao is the Chinese Communist Party.

Millions of smiling faces turn to the red sun.

Since this is the case it is hardly surprising that nearly all the songs extoll the virtues of Chairman Mao personally (including one that is reputedly a quotation from his own work). The lyrics range from the delightful couplet:

Red is the east, rises the sun,
China has brought forth a Mao Tse-tung.

to the somewhat more doctrinaire:

The force at the core leading our people forward is the communist party. The theoretical basis guiding our thinking is Marxism Leninism.

(To a tune reminiscent of **We Shall Overcome** and **Old Man River**). There are some more forbidding stanzas, though:

Depose the evil mist, away with dark clouds
High and clear the sky
Through wind and waves the ship of revolution
Sails forward to a future bright. . .
All through the wide world storms are raging for Freedom, liberation
The evil old world is bound to perish,
Monsters, where will you hide!

We are marching on a great road. . .
As we thunder through the storm. . .
Revolution rages on. . .
Millions strong the people rise. . .
Revolution is sweeping the nations,
Oppressors, tremble with fear.
Forward march, onward march,
Revolution rages on.

Nevertheless:

We are marching on the broad and happy socialist road.

As for the music, one doubts that it was written for the Chinese but rather for the Ameri-

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Biafra and The Scramble For Africa

By JOHN AKPAN

Ten thousand Biafrans die of starvation each day. They become nothing but statistics, all because secessionist leader Colonel Ojukwu continues to carry out the wishes of the 20th century partitioners of Africa.

This disruption of the continent is the latest episode in the scramble for Africa.

In the 19th century, European countries met in Berlin to partition Africa for themselves with no intention of ever returning the territories to the Africans. After an era of slavery, exploitation, imperialism, murder and oppression — all done under the cloak of bringing "civilization" to the "savages" — and after the Europeans' excessive greed led to two world wars, they set in motion the "winds of change" for Africa.

In one decade, from 1957 to 1967, the Africans organized and beat the colonizers at their own game of terrorism (remember the Mau Mau?).

It became the decade of political independence for most of Africa. Mostly hollow independence, but independence nevertheless.

Guinea voted "non" to Charles le Nez in 1958 and demanded full independence. Promptly the French packed off everything from Guinea (typewriters, telephones, brooms) and left Sekon Toure to collapse. He did not. Direct coercion did not work anymore, and Europe had to change tactics.

In 1960 Belgium could not defeat Lumumba's Congo so it entered the Congo in the person of Moise Tshombe and in the secession of Katanga. Chaos followed murders; Khruschev prepared to send in troops; the U. N. moved in. And the Belgians lost again.

The European Economic Community united as it did in 1885 to better carve up Africa. "only this time," they said, "we must keep the crafty British out. Never know what they're up to." Having "lost" Asia, Europe could "not afford to lose" Africa. So Africans became "special" Eureopeans with associate membership in the Common Market, while African nationals become co-opted.

And finally, in 1967, Colonel Ojukwu cried "Biafra." Biafra seceded—where "Biafra" means Ojukwu and his cronies and not the people of Eastern Nigeria—and civil war ensued.

Nigeria, in desperation, ran to her Western overlords for arms. But Uncle Sam refused to get involved in any other civil wars: The Niger delta shall not become a second Mekong delta.

So Nigeria turned to her ex-colonial master, the government of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, to ask for help in its "police action" to end the secession. Her Majesty's government wonders what will happen to its petroleum installations in Port Harcourt and refuses to help.

In anger and humiliation, Nigeria turns to her arch-enemy, the Soviet Union, and begs for arms under any terms. And thus, having effectively been kept off the African pie in the past, the Soviets were at last offered the largest slice of it without asking for it.

Meanwhile Britain saw red for real and reconsidered helping. Help they did, selling Nigeria millions of dollars worth of arms and more soldiers than any other African county.)

Biafra boasted to "carry the war into Nigeria." They did. With two B-26 bombers they bombed Lagos and occupied the mid-west of Nigeria. They've since been pushed back by Nigeria to a small area of 5,000 square miles. Biafra now says they never provoked Nigeria but are fighting only for their 'self-defense."

Who bombed whom first?

The scramblers for Africa launched one of the most massive propaganda drives in all history for Biafra. You and I had to see the pot-bellies and tiny paws and red-hair of starving Biafran children on TV screens and got upset. You and I fasted so we could send food to those innocent children. Canada sent plans so the food could be carried into Biafra.

But Biafra demanded recognition first. Otherwise they would continue to starve the children and continue to show us how much they were starving.

So CBS and NBC and Life keep showing us the starving Biafran children. We write to the President and Congress, urging them to recognize Biafra if this will end the starvation.

But the nastiest thing is that you and I have been taken.

The little food that relief agencies manage to get into Biafra has to land at Biafran airports. The Biafran commandos say they must search the

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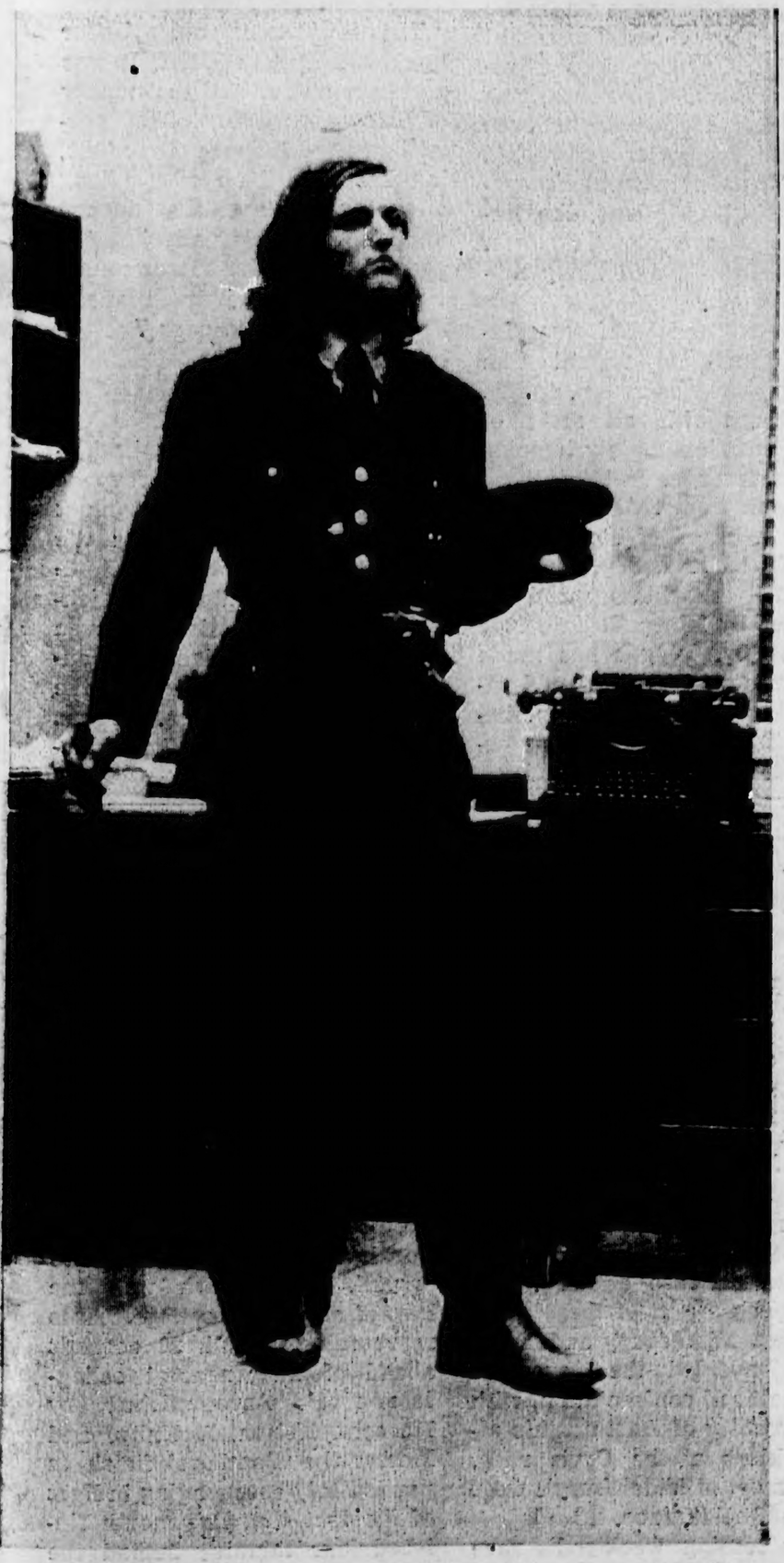
Know Your Leaders



Cadet Theodore Neflichi, a member of Middlebury's 123rd Grundoons, is also a student senator, a member of his dormitory council and is on one of the Dean's lists.

Letters To The Editor

Value of Life

To the Editor:

It has been my custom in the past jealously to maintain a certain pleasant anonymity and reserve with regard to the letter column of this or any other publication. The recent lecture on population and ecology by Mr. David Van Vleck has prompted me, however, to put pen in hand and protest in some public fashion the apparent moral myopia from which it seems Mr. Van Vleck is suffering.

Toward the end of his highly informative and interesting lecture Mr. Van Vleck informed his audience of his own belief that the most efficient manner of retarding the growth of the world's population is the practice of abortion. Given his impressive array of charts, replete with profoundly horrifying facts and figures, I am sure we would all agree on the question of the efficiency of foetal abortion. What Mr. Van Vleck neglected to mention to his audience, but did admit to me after his speech, was that neither he nor any other human being has demonstrated or proven acceptably when the moment of humanisation occurs in the development of a foetus. Mr. Van Vleck stated his belief that an abortion may be performed in the early stages of pregnancy prior to that point at which it would become dangerous to the mother.

Mr. Van Vleck gave a most convincing account of his deep personal concern for the quality of human life. The notion of "quality" surely implies the notion of "value" and "values." I ask, in what does "value" inhere but in a human life? Mr. Van Vleck has admitted to a great concern for the problem of feeding the child once it has been born. I ask, is the value of a human being determined by its digestion? Mr. Van Vleck has admitted that there are other methods of resolving the population dilemma, e. g. increasing the food supply through improved agronomic techniques, and most importantly, the wide distribution of various types of contraceptive devices. I ask, if it be true that no one has as yet learned at what point a foetus may be called human, and if it be true that there are available other methods of controlling population, how then can any man appropriate to himself the awesome responsibility of unwittingly committing infanticide?

In the course of our conversation, Mr. Van Vleck injected a note of his own on religious opposition to abortion. He said, of course, the Catholic Church says that God. . ." whereupon he shrugged his shoulders and waved his hands in a most expressive fashion. If he intended to classify the Catholic Church as benighted and superstitious about biology, I would refer him to the institutionalised infanticide of the cult of Moloch. Mr. Van Vleck is very neat and devastatingly modern with his charts and figures; his notion of morality, however, has been around for a saddeningly long time.

Chester Parasco, Jr.

We have recently received several unsigned letters. All letters must be signed in ink. However, the writer's name will be withheld for publication if so requested.

Scratch Student

To the Editor:

"Emotional Upsets Raise Doubts About 4-1-4." I read this report in the **Middlebury Campus** Dec. 13, with real disgust and absolute frustration. Read: "The problems involved with making the new student government work, and the relaxed parietal regulations are forcing students to make decisions that they didn't formerly have to make." Where, one may ask, is the subject of the verb "force?" "Relaxed parietal regulations" have now, we are told, become a force which the Faculty must consider in terms of reducing academic requirements. Force is, doubtless, there. So is the illimitable inane.

In the time I have been at Middlebury I have argued that, with the exception of freshmen women, students should be allowed to determine their own sets of parietal regulations. This article makes me very sorry I ever opened my fat mouth. Speaking as one faculty member, I categorically refuse to be put into a position in which what students have asked for and got, somehow, obscenely, becomes part of my responsibility.

I re-read on. "Parks questioned whether these people (apparently those obliterated with self-questioning) should be punished in following their own interests as they are under the present system." You're damned right they should be "punished." The act of teaching becomes utterly irrelevant under the assumptions attributed to Mr. Parks. Students voluntarily sign up to study a subject. If, in the midst of the course, they find themselves "caught up in an attempt

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Basketball Team Beats MIT, Norwich Skaters Threaten RPI, But Lose 5-3

Two In Row Snaps Jinx

By JOHN FRESHMAN

For the past three years, Middlebury's basketball teams have been soundly trounced by bigger, stronger, and more determined MIT quintets. Three years ago, in the feature game of the AIC tournament, against the home team, which was also the favorite, Middlebury was soundly trounced by the AIC Yellow Jackets. Last year, in the same situation, Middlebury was killed by Central Connecticut.

In the past two weeks Middlebury settled these two scores. On December 27 in the Pocono Classic, Pennsylvania, Middlebury weathered a second-half rally by the home team and favorite, East Stroudsburg State, to win by four points. Captain Rick Minton garnered 24 big ones for the victors. The Panthers lost the next night to a bigger, more experienced Muhlenberg squad.

Last week, Coach Jerry Alaimo's whiz kids journeyed to Boston to face powerful Babson and MIT on successive nights. The netmen were thoroughly beaten by a rugged Babson squad on Thursday, but proved that this is no club to lie down and die on Friday, by bouncing back against MIT, and scoring a convincing 77-69 victory.

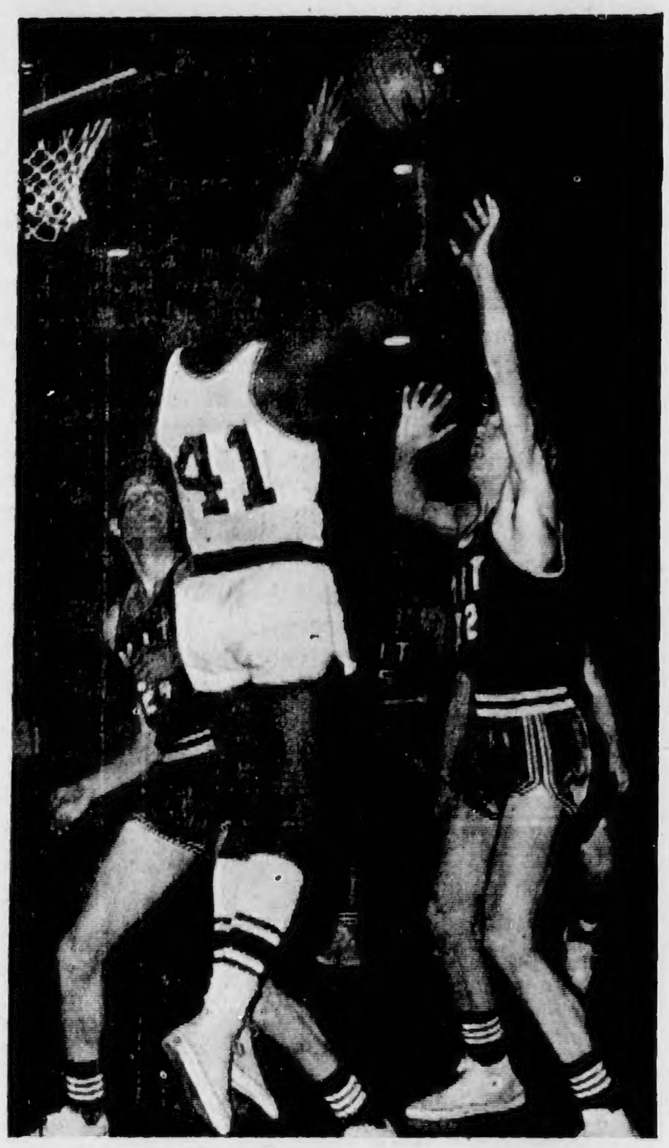
Gene Oliver turned in the finest performance of his career in the latter, scoring 21 points, making 8 of 9 from the floor, for an astonishing 89 percent and garnering 8 big bounds. He also hit 5 of 7 from the charity stripe. Rich Browning and Frosh John McClain followed Gene with 18 and 14 points respectively. Browning and McClain were also high scorers in the losing Babson effort with 17 and 14. Rich seems to be fulfilling his early last season promise which was cut short by a broken jaw.

Jimmy Keyes still maintains his lead in the race for individual scoring honors with 97, but he is being overtaken by Rick Minton with 95 and Gene Oliver with 83.

FLASH

As this story was being wound up the news came in that Middlebury had beaten Norwich 71-58 (Monday night) in a game at Norwich. Trailing 32-31 at the half, the Panther's attack gelled early in the second half and with the score 38-37, in Norwich's favor, the Panthers ripped off ten straight points to put the game out of reach.

High scorers for Middlebury were Lee Cartmill with 19, John Torrant with 18, and Rich Browning with 12. This victory marks the first time in four seasons that Middlebury has won two games in a row and raises the Panthers' season record to 4-6.



BIG GENE had the best game of his career in action against MIT last Friday night. He is shown here going up for two of his 21 points. The Panthers beat MIT 77-69 at Cambridge.

Loss Lowers Record to 2-7

By NAT AYER

Coming back from a vacation undoubtedly tinged with sombre memories of the team's poor performance up to that time, the members of the hockey team are determined to improve their 2-7 record. Capt. Peter Montori says the players have "great spirit," and are eager to start playing good hockey. He noted that the hardest part of the schedule was finished, and with the sole exception of St. Lawrence, only Division II teams are left to play. The next four games will prove whether they can skate with the other teams in their league and make a strong come-back. Both Montori and Coach Forbes think they will.

To bring you up to date with all the games it is necessary to go back before vacation, to AIC, UNH, and U. Mass. The Mass. game was played three days after the start of vacation, and was just miserable. Digger had stressed beforehand that most of the players were tired, sick, and exhausted from the strenuous work load, and exams merely added to the strain. Two players never even made it to the game, and those that did had not practiced cohesively for a week. The result was terrible hockey. Wendy believes his team was better and would have won under normal circumstances, but as it was, the final score was a close 4-3 loss. Pierson, Sexton, and Valby netted our goals.

Both AIC and UNH were fabulous games to watch! The dashing play was rough, tough, and littered with all sorts of cheap penalties, mainly tripping and interference. In total there were twenty-four! All of this indicates a brand of hockey only to be found in college, a style marked by reckless speed accelerated by intercollegiate fury and passion. Digger has made the comment that he would rather play for a pro team, because it is so much more organized. He says that in college, you never know how or when the puck is going to come at you. Goaltending is lucky enough without adding extra confusion.

Both games were played at Middlebury, in the "Middlebury Arena," and large crowds were present at each. Just as much as the spirit of the screaming fans is transferred to the energy of the players, so also there is nothing that seizes hold of individual hockey fans and transforms them into a single emotional unit as the action on the ice.

The splendid moves of Digger in the nets grabs the crowd's wildest spirits, as he makes an impossible glove save on a point-blank bullet, or smothers repeated solo breakaway attempts, casually tossing the puck away afterwards, seemingly bored to death by the whole fuss of the opposing forward who is cursing himself in the corner. All this was so much a part of the excitement in the flurried action of those two games. They were played close, fast and skillfully, and above all, it was Middlebury's own.

Close Match

The Panthers did better against AIC than UNH. It was a closer match, and the quality of play much better. AIC scored halfway through the first, but Iggy tied it up with a long sweeping slap shot that ducked under the goalie's pads just ten seconds before the buzzer sounded. Middlebury jumped ahead

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BULLETIN

The Panther varsity basketball team gained sweet revenge against St. Michael's last night with a 60-59 victory over the Saints. It is the first time Middlebury has defeated the Michaelmen in the last twenty-seven tries. Big Gene Oliver had another great game leading the netmen with 23 tallies. He was followed by Frosh John McClain.

Inside Story

THE START OF A COLMAN ERA?

By Steve Thomas

Recent new stories notwithstanding Middlebury College is not getting a racist Director of Athletics.

If you haven't followed these stories it all stems out of a charge levelled by four black students at Princeton's Varsity football coach Richard W. Colman and a freshmen football coach there. The complaint was published by the **Daily Princetonian** and demanded the immediate resignation of both coaches.

Somewhat to Colman's dismay, the charge was made public at roughly the same time that he accepted an offer from President Armstrong to become Middlebury's new Director of Athletics. And in response to the charges Princeton's President Goheen formed an ad hoc faculty committee to look into the students' complaints.

Is there any validity to their charges? I suppose we could have waited for the publication of that committee's report. However, independent sources (namely the **Daily Princetonian**) have already indicated how they feel the investigations will turn out. Specifically, it was the feeling of one staff member of that newspaper that while there may be some substance to the charges against the freshman coach, so far as Colman is concerned there is no evidence that would substantiate the charges.

This analysis of the situation is borne out by interviews with President Armstrong and Colman. The students who made the charge, contacted by telephone, refused to comment.

Colman said that he was "shocked and saddened" by the charges which he feels are "completely unfair and untrue." Colman's personal life bears out the dismay that he displayed at being charged with racist motives in his selection of a starting backfield for Princeton's football team.

Both Colman and his wife, who are devoted Quakers, spent last summer working in Togo under the auspices of the Friends Service Committee. Colman also was deeply committed to Eugene McCarthy's campaign for the Democratic Presidential nomination.

While these simple facts do not in themselves exonerate Colman of the charges levelled against him they are indicative of his liberal temperament. With regards to the charge of racism, President Armstrong said that Colman is a "most unassailable coach."

What will it all come to? In the final analysis Middlebury will be getting a man who, in the words of President Armstrong, is dedicated to the "importance of athletics as an integral part of the life of the college."

The significance of Colman's appointment for athletics at Middlebury can not be overlooked. He will bring with him an experience and knowledge of athletics that Middlebury has not seen for many years.

While his specific duties have yet to be spelled out, it can be assumed that his presence will be most strongly felt in the area of recruitment. Certainly, the fact that Colman's appointment was welcomed unanimous-

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Midd's Skiers Show Promise

True to pre-season expectations, Middlebury's 1968-69 edition of their ski team fared excellently in races over the past weekend. In alpine competition Tom Giebink placed first at the Oneida Silversmith's Trophy Race, followed by Finn Gunderson in fifth place. Middlebury's entries into the Louis Orvis Trophy Race, also alpine competition did not fare as well. The interesting aspect of these races was that Middlebury and Dartmouth avoided the eventual head to head confrontation, with the majority of Dartmouth's alpine skiers at the Orvis race, while most of Middlebury's were at the Oneida race.

This coming week-end's race at Waterville Valley, N.H. will probably provide a more solid indication of how the perennial Middlebury - Dartmouth alpine competition for Eastern Collegiate supremacy will turn out.

Faring somewhat better than the alpine skiers was the nordic team. In top Nordic competition at the Hanover Relays, competition that included all the major college Nordic teams from both East and West, and a number of "independent teams," including both the American and Canadian Olympic Nordic teams, the Middlebury Nordic skiers took a fifth place overall. Their finish was the best of any of the college teams represented, a full 90 seconds ahead of their nearest collegiate rival. Accomplished by Messers. Nelson, McNulty, and Morse, the Panthers' finish is particularly encouraging in light of the fact that Dartmouth finished four minutes behind the Middlebury trio.

This coming weekend the Nordic team travels both to the JFK Memorial games at Lake Placid and to a meet at Lebanon, New Hampshire.

Strict Drug Laws Opposed By NSA

Washington (CPS) — When a young man is sentenced to 20 years in prison for selling an ounce of marijuana, a drug called by top researchers a "relatively mild intoxicant," and yet the use of marijuana is growing and spreading from coffee houses to fraternity houses, what has happened?

The National Student Association (NSA) and the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) have decided that what has happened is that penalties regulating marijuana in America are totally out of proportion with the nature of the drug and the people who use it.

Hypocrisy and Inhumanity

Both organizations recently announced that they plan to work this year for changes in the laws surrounding use and possession of marijuana, and for an end to what NSA calls society's "hypocrisy and inhumanity toward its children."

NSA officials, citing the results of a three-year study of drugs and their effect on students, have announced that NSA will begin "campaigns to place on the ballot by 1970 various schemes for marijuana regulation — from legal sales in stores (like alcohol) to reduction of criminal penalties.

At the same time, ACLU has urged removal of criminal penalties for use and possession of marijuana (which are now felonies punishable by up to 40 years in prison in some states), and said it will take on selected cases of individuals charged with these offenses.

Charles Hollander, who has headed NSA's Drug Studies Program since 1965, said the number of students arrested for drug charges across the country in 1968 has risen 800 percent over 1967 for the same September - November period. Sixteen thousand students were arrested during the ten weeks after school started last fall, Hollander said.

"The issue of drugs," according to NSA President Bob Powell, "has plunged the campus into one of its worst internal crises, and has driven another wedge between a large and growing number of students, and their elders.

Suspicion and Mistrust

"Intensifying the situation are the two- and three-year sentences that are frequently handed out in the name of "exemplary" law enforcement, and the deep fear, suspicion and mistrust generated on our campuses by the flood of disguised and often university - sanctioned narcotics agents."

Students are also profoundly disturbed, Powell said, by the political overtones of law enforcement in many college communities. He cited the "predawn, military-style raids" at Bard College, Franconia College, American University and the State University of New York at Stony Brook, which seriously disrupted those campuses.

A recent survey of high school students in Michigan concluded in part that "marijuana smokers seem more likely than nonsmokers to participate in political activity and become involved in social change." Such evidence, the NSA report hinted, might lead academic officials and police to conclude that they can strike a blow against campus political activity by using the issue of drugs.

While working to get existing marijuana laws changed through popular ballot in various states, Powell said, NSA will also:

—attack in court the constitutionality of current marijuana statutes. The Association has already successfully petitioned the Supreme Court as an **amicus curiae** (friend of the court, who is allowed to file briefs the judges will consider in their decision) in the Timothy Leary case, and expects to do so in other cases;

—publicize and distribute a maximum amount of information drugs;

—provide arrested students as much information as possible on their legal rights.

Both NSA and the ACLU blasted federal law enforcement officials who punish young people "in cruel and inhuman ways" for use of a mild intoxicant while "organized crime operates this multi-billion-dollar business with almost total immunity."

Hollander urged "the hundreds of thousands of families who have been hurt by this condition" to work for repeal or liberalization of current marijuana laws independently or through their congressmen.

"We must work together," he said, "to put the issue on the ballot by 1970."

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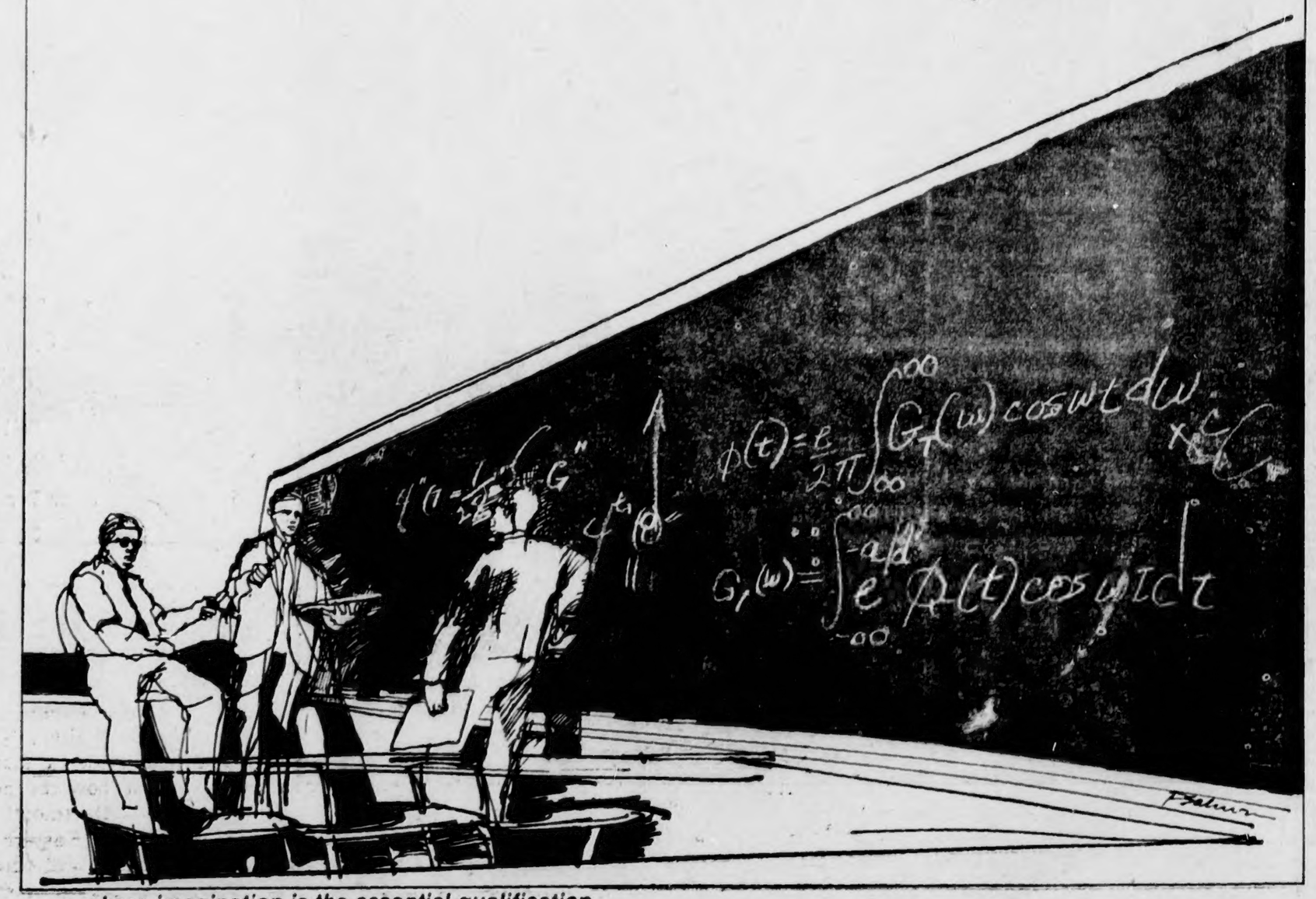

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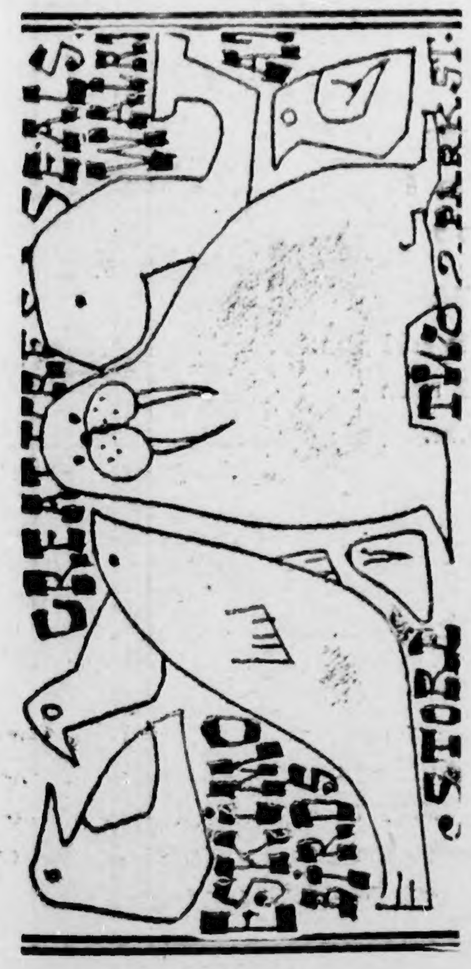

Results Of Senate-Mobe Poll On ROTC

(*See article, page* 1, *column* 1.)

The following is a summary tabulation of student opinion about ROTC status from a poll conducted jointly by the Student Senate and the Mobilization for Peace. The tabulation is broken down into two groups: the student body as a whole and those students who indicated membership in ROTC.

OPTIONS LISTED FOR ROTC	Total Student Body No. of Students	Percentage of Students	ROTC Soph., Jr. & Sr.
1. Maintain current status at Middlebury	157	24%	37
2. Remain on campus with one or more of the following changes:	367	56.9%	26
— Loss of academic credit	289		17
— Loss of faculty rank and privileges	215		15
— Change to extra-curricular activity	195		4
3. Completely remove from campus only after those students who have a legal obligation to the U. S. Army have fulfilled that obligation	55	8.5%	3
4. Completely remove from campus upon expiration of its current contract	39	6.0%	2
5. No opinion	25	3.9%	1

Hockey . . .

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in the second with goals by Boothroyd and Kelly. Iggy took a slapper from the blue line, and Boothroyd neatly tipped it into the upper right corner. Kelly took another slap-shot four minutes later, and the bouncing puck coming off his broken stick slithered past the helpless goalie. AIC tied it in the third, and overtime was necessary. At 7:50 Digger stopped the initial break-away shot, the rebound sneaked in under him, and AIC won 4-3.

UNH was a good strong team, and clearly out of Middlebury's league. The final score was 5-1, and the whole game was a general disaster for the Panthers. They played well, as well as they could, and tried hard, but there is not much anyone can do against a superior team except get desperate, and Middlebury did. They tried long passes. These were contunually picked off at center ice, and the puck was just fed right back into the Panther zone. New Hampshire fore-checked well, hustled madly, and Middlebury just could not control them. Their goals came from close shots, from forwards who should not have been able to shoot. The defense should have moved them out, but they did not.

RIP With RPI

Defensive faults around the crease were again the vulnerable soft spots of the team as it made a grand stand against RPI last Saturday. RPI is good. Really good, especially when they want to be. They have beaten Cornell, and Cornell is the best team in the nation. The Panthers cut down their penalties, and playing well as one can often do against a really good team, they gave RPI a good game. The score was 5-3, with Hawkins, Iggy, and Pierson scoring. The reason they did well was Montori's "great spirit." The team concentrated on playing well, and it produced a great team effort, especially defensively.

Even though they beat Cornell, RPI is not the best team in the country. What they do excel in, however, is the quality of aggressiveness, and they practice it almost to the extent of hyper - militancy. For this reason Harvard has refused to play them again. In any case, a very strange incident took place after the game, after everybody but one had shaken hands and were heading for the dressing rooms. RPI's goalie had a special way of congratulating Peter Montori: it was the old fist-in-the-mouth trick. Peter saw him coming up, and was tucking his hand under his arm to take his glove. As he looked up, there was this fist making its way, very speedily, toward where is now a very sore and toothless mouth. 'He knocked both me and a tooth out," Peter mumbled to me. "I don't really know why he did it. I didn't go near him the whole game, but we've played against each other for four years now, and maybe it was something I did then." "The greatest cheap shot I've ever seen. No. 1 cheap shot in my life!" he exclaimed.

Defense Problem

A clarification should be made about the team's problem with defense. First, it is not solely the defensemen that are referred to, but the whole defensive system, which includes the forwards as well. This is especially true at Middlebury, for the defensemen are "offense minded," as Dave Pierson puts it. "We like to carry the puck into the zone ourselves." This forces the wings to take their place occasionally, and when they forget, break-aways occur, as in the AIC game. Also, on the whole the defense is good. They only need to be a little more consistent. The team is improving, "the boys are working hard" as Wendy states. If the defense can keep their lapses to three or four a game, added to the good offense, the team is going to win.

The varsity hockey is not the only hockey team on campus. There is the freshman one also, though it is true that with their 0-4 record it is easy to overlook it. But it too has come back with a new outlook, and it seems to want to maybe even win one. Whereas before their last Saturday game with RPI second string goalie Len Fricke had scored their only goal, this last match saw the two teams scoreless at the end of the first period, and Middlebury ahead 1-0 at the end of the second, on a goal by Bill Everett. It came after a pretty triangle pass routine that ended by him popping in a short shot. Down 2-1 with only a couple of minutes left in the game, Nat Ayer picked up the puck at his blue line and went all the way to practically run into the goalie, but managed to shove it into his pads, and it leaked through to score.

The Baby Panthers got a penalty, and with only seconds left in the game, RPI scored on a deflection off a defenseman's stick. Final score:3-2. Remembering the previous scores of 11-0, 5-0, and 9-1, it is clear that the team is on its way up. Backed by the sometimes magnificent goaltending of Sals Adams (he kicked one out, and caught another which everyone was sure were in), and with their one practice session a weekthe team is sure to win at least one game this season.

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Mao Songs . . .

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can radical proletariat, by some obscure academician, fresh from the fields, the preface notwithstanding. The only concession to traditional Chinese music seems to be the use, more or less consistently, of the Pentatonic scale, which only serves to underline the close affinity between these melodies and traditional spirituals.

One cannot fail to be impressed with the conscious effort on the part of the composers (anonymous) to assimilate and use elements of Western music. But the elements sound as if they were gleaned from a very incomplete and bad textbook. About all that can be said for the continual root progressions, the military rhythmic figures and syncopations, the full voiced pyrotechnics and obscure use of dynamics and time signatures, is that it **looks** good.

To conclude with what may be a more hopeful (to some) note:

The world is yours, the world is yours,
As well as ours.
But in the last analysis it is yours.
You young people, full of vigour and vitality
Are in the bloom of life
Like the sun at eight or nine in the morning.
Our hope is placed in you, is placed in you.

Hill Letter . . .

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to question and understand themselves" so much the better. That is what the study of literature, in any event, is all about. But that questioning and understanding should produce some perceptive insights into the literature. If not, and the student elects to dissolve himself in solipsistic mush, then he hardly has made a relevant commentary on the subject. He should and shall be judged accordingly — by his contribution to an understanding and appreciation of the work to which he addresses himself.

Not "relating the content of the course to the individual" is also one of the criticisms attributed to Mr. Parks. "Well," says the student, "I can't relate to Shakespeare." (A student told me that the other day in reference to **Antony and Cleopatra**.) Scratch Shakespeare. Before that, scratch the student.

What burned me about this report was its failure to discuss the real problems. Indeed there may well be some genuine difficulties in the 4-1-4. I am blitzed with papers and examinations. When are we going to stand up and forget about parietal regulations and student identity-crises and get to what should be concerning us all?

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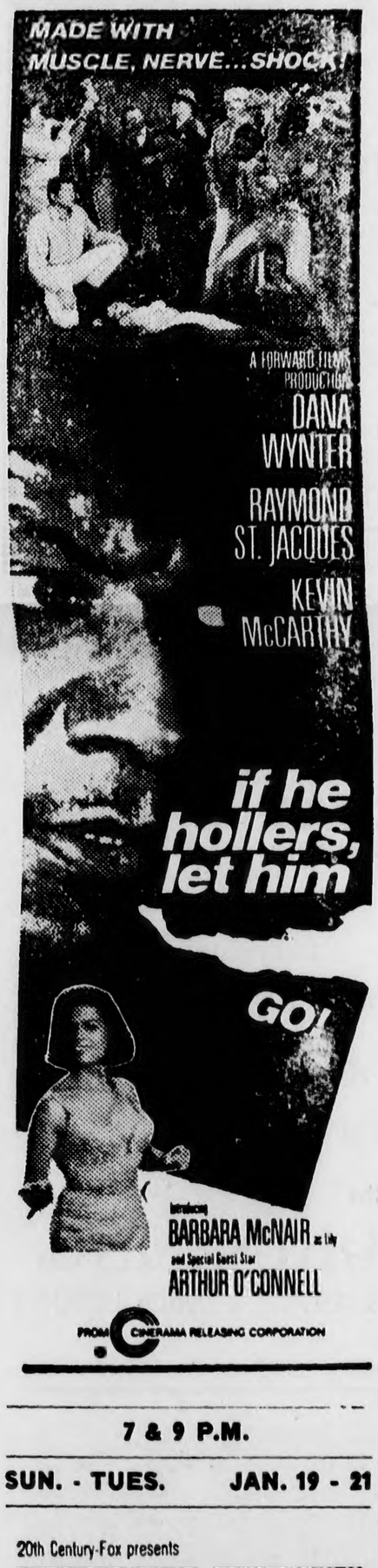

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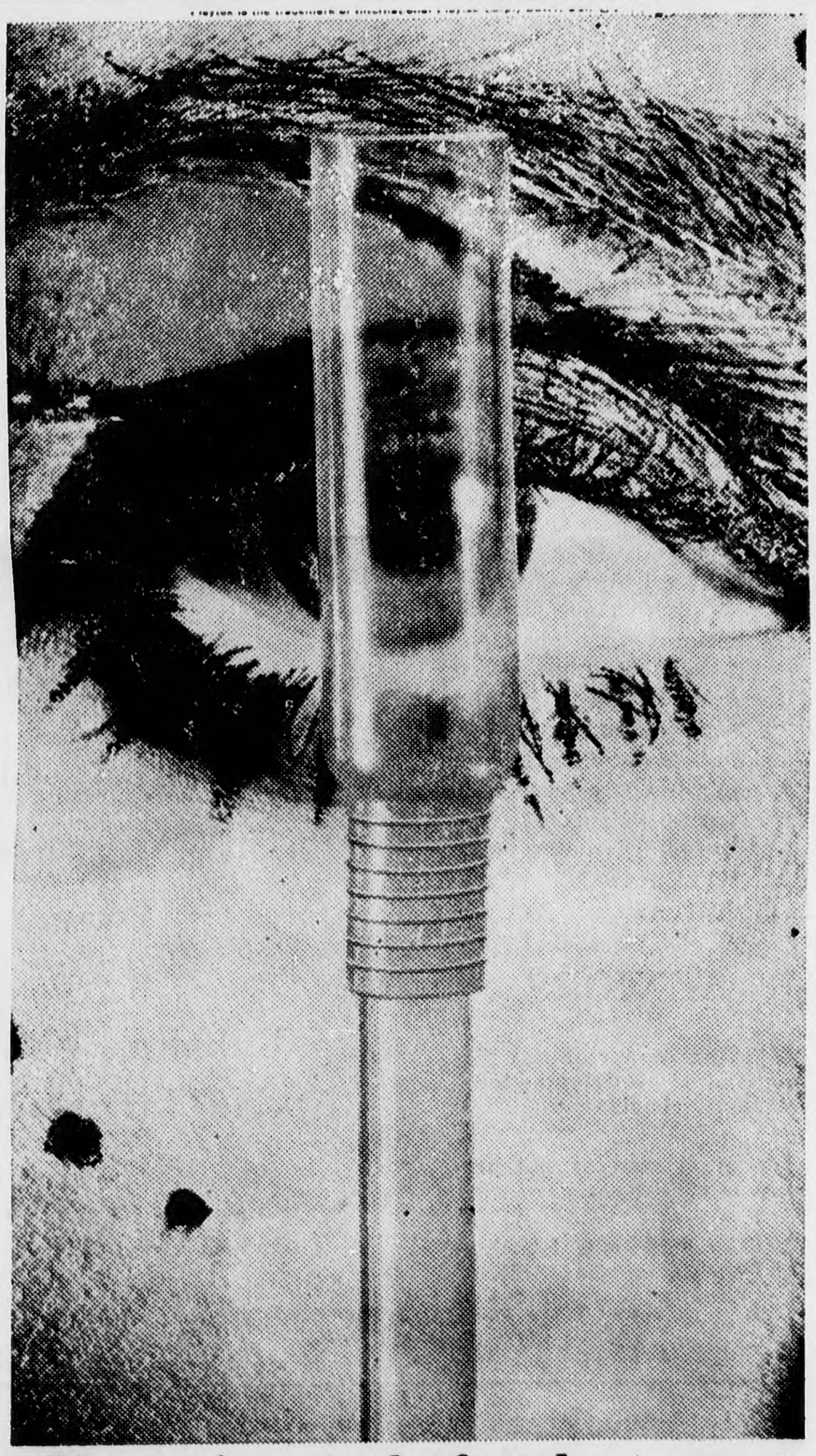

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U.S. Aggressors Kill Elephant

Dalat, South Vietnam (LNS) — Speaking of elephants, a U. S. Army convoy accidentally wounded one from a local zoo, while firing weapons to scare off possible NLF forces in Dalat. The Americans said they were sorry — in fact, they formed an Elephant Investigation Committee to look into the situation.

Examination revealed a severe "dying syndrome," so after appropriate red tape, an Elephant Execution Subcommittee "dispatched" (read killed) the creature.

The meat, considered a delicacy in Vietnam, was originally to go to refugees, but the Distribution Committee composed of South Vietnamese government bureaucrats, claimed it for their own, especially the trunk, which is believed to increase sexual potency.

Biafra . . .

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food to ensure that it has not been poisoned by Nigeria. (The food was flow from New York.) To search thoroughly they have to taste it.

And taste it.

And they taste it.

Very little or none is left for those who need it most. (See **Newsweek**, Dec. 30, 1968 or **West Africa**, Nov. 2, 1968.)

We have in effect been feeding Biafran soldiers — and not the innocent starving children.

Is there any reason why Biafra should refuse to allow the Red Cross relief flights in daytime? Biafra should not be so callous as to use human lives to bargain for political ends.

They say that Biafra is Christian and Nigeria Moslem; therefore they should separate. But Lebanon is half Christian and half Moslem, and no one has suggested that they should separate.

They say that the Ibos of Biafra have nothing in common with the Nigerians; therefore they should separate. How much do the Walloons have in common with the Flanders of Belgium? Yet they are one nation. Montreal has as much in common with Ottawa as DeGaulle has with Harold Wilson; yet to my best friends the idea of a free Quebec is ridiculous.

The present wars in Africa (and those soon to come) are the brain children of the 20th century scramblers for Africa. Already we can see the winners and the losers:

Britain lost Ghana to Nkrumah.

Nkrumah lost Ghana to America.

Belgium lost the Congo to America.

France lost Guinea to Guinea.

Britain lost Egypt to Russia.

France lost Algeria to Ben Bella.

Ethiopia lost Ethiopia to America.

Britain lost Nigeria to Nigeria.

Britain lost the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyazaland to Zambia, Malawi and Ian Smith.

Portugal lost Angola and Mozambique to the Freedom Fighters.

The United Nations lost South West Africa to South Africa, and South Africa lost South and South West Africa both to Apartheid.

Britian lost Tanzania to China.

America lost Liberia to Uncle Tom.

And France, Portugal, Ojukwu and his cronies lost Biafra, because Biafra was nothing but a figment of some senile imaginations.

The 20th century scramble for Africa continues.

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